**Economic Impacts** (2016)
Agricultural and related industries generate

- **35,214** jobs (20.6% of total) in Alachua County.
- **$1.49 billion** in Gross Regional Product.
- **11.8%** contribution to Gross Regional Product. **Based on an annual UF study**

It is estimated that for every **$1** invested in agricultural research and Extension, there is a return of **$20** to the community. **Alston, Andersen et al. (2010)**

**Funding** (FY 2018)
- State funds for Extension: **$818,263 (60%)**
- Federal funds for Extension: **$84,626 (6%)**
- County funds for Extension: **$457,364 (34%)**

**Volunteers** (2017)
- Number of volunteers: **311**
- Hours worked: **20,272**
- Dollar value of hours worked: **$500,516**

**Giving** (FY 2017)
- Recent donors residing in county: **57,728**
- FY 2017 donors residing in county: **35,122**
- Gifts to UF from county residents: **$44,913,188**
- Gifts to IFAS from county residents: **$2,075,334**

**Client Satisfaction** (2014)
- **93%** Residents who used Extension services and were satisfied with the service provided.
- **82%** Clients who had an opportunity to use the information received, and...
- **81%** Said it solved their problem or answered their question.
- **69%** Clients who shared the information with someone else.

**Clientele Contacts** (2017)
- Field and office consultations: **1,359**
- Participants at group learning events: **15,394**
- Phone and email consultations: **18,341**
- Social media engagement: **1,740,185**
- Educational materials created: **235**

**Statewide Clientele Outcomes** (2017)
- Gallons of water saved by residential participants: **176,405,796**
- No. of producers who adopted recommended practices: **20,813**
- No. of adults and youth reporting healthy eating or physical activity practices, or improved health parameters: **56,562**

**Students and Alumni** (Fall 2017)
- UF students from county: **3,347**
- CALS students from county: **489**
- UF alumni residing in county: **36,744**
- UF/IFAS alumni residing in county: **4,425**

**EXTENSION**: Master Gardener; Florida Yards & Neighborhoods; Personal finances; 4-H youth development; Beef marketability; Commercial/residential horticulture; Ag & Natural resources

**COMMODITIES**: Cattle, Agronomic row crops, Blueberries, Vegetables, Goats

**RESEARCH**: Restoration and protection of aquatic and natural areas from invasive weeds

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